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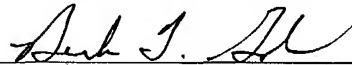
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Re: New U.S. Patent Application  
For: IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS CAPABLE  
OF HIGHLY PRECISE EDGE EXTRACTION  
By: Hironori SUMITOMO and Yuichi KAWAKAMI  
Attorney Docket: 15162/05460

Dear Sir:

Enclosed for filing are the following papers relating to IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS CAPABLE OF HIGHLY PRECISE EDGE EXTRACTION, Hironori SUMITOMO and Yuichi KAWAKAMI, inventors:

- (1) Specification (17 pages, including 16 claims and an abstract);
- (2) Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney (7 pages);
- (1) Formal Drawings (6 sheets) (Figs. 1-11);
- (4) Submission of Certified Copy of Priority Document (2 pages) with certified copy of Japanese Priority Document No. 2003-080314 (24 pages);
- (5) Information Disclosure Statement (2 pages), PTO-1449 Form (1 page), with copies of two (2) cited references; and
- (6) Assignment (2 pages) of the invention to MINOLTA CO., LTD., with attached Recordation Form Cover Sheet (1 page) (in duplicate).

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Respectfully submitted,

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